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It is hereby notified that information has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that the FLYING will be carried out on 27th instant, in rectangle Bag n. 111, Kaulung Pass, Taku Ling, Hau Wong Mu, and MAXIM GUN FIRING on the 28th instant, in rectangle Beacon Hill, Kaulung Pass, Kaulung Trail, Crow's Nest.

F. H. MAY,
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Hongkong, March 25, 1908.

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A deposit of \$10.00 (dollar ten) will be demanded and this will be returned upon receipt of a bona fide tender.
TENDERS will be personally received by (or may be posted to) the Undersecretary at the Head Office, on the 1st and 2nd of April, between the hours of 9.30 and 10.30 a.m.
The Undersecretary does not bind himself to receive the lowest or any tender.
FRANK GROVE,
M. Inst., C.E.
Engineer-in-Chief.
Hongkong, March 25, 1908.

NOTICE.
We have authorized Mr. E. S. ABRAHAM to Sign our Firm per Procuration from this date.
S. J. DAVID & CO.
Hongkong, March 24, 1908.

NOTICE.
MR. WALTER OTTO having left China ceases to sign our Firm per procuration from this date.
MR. PAUL HELL has this day been authorized to sign our Firm's name per procuration.
KRUSE & CO.
Hongkong, March 18, 1908.

NOTICE.
I have this day established myself in practice as an ARCHITECT and SURVEYOR at No. 34, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, and at SHAMEN, Canton.
A. ABDOLRAHIM,
34, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
Hongkong, March 20, 1908.

NOTICE.
DURING Mr. G. F. MEDHURST'S absence from the Colony Mr. EDGAR GORDON BARRITT is appointed MANAGER of DODWELL & Co., Ltd.
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Tickets for Guests, \$5.50.
J. J. BLAKE, Secretary.
Hongkong, March 24, 1908.

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MOLLIE GREENFIELD, daughter of Thomas
Greenfield, of Berkeley, Gloucestershire.

MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

Auction.

2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-

ture, at 'Abergeldie,' No. 122, Pias-

tation Road, Peak.

Meeting.

5.30 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong Volan-

teer Reserve Association in City Hall.

Miscellaneous.

Goods per Revenue undelivered after

this date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, March 28.—

12.30 p.m.—Meeting of The Paris Toilet

Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office.

Goods per Para not cleared at 4 p.m.

on this date subject to rent.

MONDAY, March 29.—

11 a.m.—Auction of Household Furni-

ture, at No. 14, Austin Avenue, Kow-

loon.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-

ture, &c., at 'Dunottar,' No. 82, the

Peak.

Noon—Meeting of The Hongkong Rope

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5.30 p.m.—Meeting of The Phoenix Club,

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FRIDAY, April 3.—

Fancy Dress Ball, held by Scottish Ma-

sonic Association.

SATURDAY, April 4.—

9 p.m.—Grand Variety Concert in City

Hall.

NOTICE.

Letters relating to business should be address-

ed to THE MANAGER.

Communications relating to news should be

addressed to THE EDITOR.

Correspondents must forward their names

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All letters for publication should be written

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No anonymously signed communications that

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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MARCH 28, 1906.

KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY.

The announcement made in our issue

of Tuesday that tenders are being

invited for the earthwork in connection

with the Chinese section of the Kowloon-

Canton Railway will have been received

with satisfaction. There has been

great, but not unexpected, dilatoriness

on the part of the Chinese to make a

commencement of the work. Not un-

expected because the Oriental is well

known to have but feeble appreciation of

the value of time. But in this instance

we were unable to regard this charac-

teristic with that philosophy which is

induced from a lengthy sojourn in the

East. A railway to our own frontier

would be of little or no value to us

without the connecting link with Can-

ton. But it was feared in many quar-

ters that we would assuredly have

to put up with such a state of things

for some years. However the announce-

ment that the Canton authorities con-

template an active move should set

these fears at rest. The Chinese section

of the line does not present engineering

difficulties anything like so great as

those encountered at this end. It is

true that there is a fair amount of

bridge work to be done but that is much

easier dealt with than tunnelling.

When once a start is made good pro-

gress may be expected. Also it may be

that a healthy rivalry will be induced

between the constructors of the two

sections of the line which will result in

the more speedy completion of each.

But, however that may be, we have

sufficient cause for congratulation for

the present in a sign of activity in Can-

ton being observable. For some time

ly on our trade. There is another

great benefit which the railway will

confer upon us. The birth of this

Colony as a British possession was a

great offence to the proud city of Can-

ton. Up to that time Canton had been

the great trade centre of South China

and foreigners had to submit to every

kind of insult for permission to establish

themselves, precariously enough, at the

Shumeeen. But the establishment and

rapid growth of Hongkong proved to the

astonished Cantonese that the despised

foreign devils were able, when they got

the opportunity, to prosper without

their permission or assistance. The

surprise was deeply humiliating to the

Cantonese people and it has been re-

membered against us even to this day.

Though the animosity is now latent

instead of being active it has not dis-

appeared. We look to the railway to

do a great deal towards breaking down

the barrier between Canton and Hong-

kong. After all it is generally geo-

graphical distance which is responsible

for the other kind of distance and

when the railway brings Canton and

Hongkong so much the closer to each

other it may be confidently expected

that much better relations will be es-

tablished. If this should be the case

the railway will once more prove its

great usefulness, not only in bringing

the irrigation of trade through thir-

ing tracts of country but also in re-

moving differences and misunderstand-

ings by bringing different peoples

the more closely in touch each with

the other.

The crash of falling banks is a sound

to which Japanese ears should have

become accustomed by this. Every

mail that has arrived lately has con-

tained the sad news of two or three

banking institutions collapsing into

bankruptcy. The "foreigner" idea of

a bank is a solid concern filled to over-

flowing with managers, sub-managers,

accountants, clerks, and in the East—

shroffs of divers sorts. But when the

details are looked into in connection

with these Japanese smashes it seems

that what is called a "bank" up north

is often a very small affair indeed. In

regard to two institutions which are

reported in a Kobe paper of March 13

to have closed their doors we remark

that the paid up capital was \$25,000—

enough to pay a half year's salary to

the Manager of an ordinary European

banking concern. There must be some-

thing radically wrong with the Japanese

banking law as these "banks" are

allowed, with a capital which would

hardly pay the rental of the buildings

where depositors are taken in and done

for, to accept deposits running into

hundreds of thousands of dollars.

The little breeze in connection with

the complaint of some jurymen of being

treated with discourtesy by the Court

suggests that too much attention should

not be given to evidence given in regard

to time. Here is a case in which the

parties are all intelligent and honourable

men. It will be observed that the

jurymen declared that the Court

adjudged at 1.20 p.m. and they sent

for the usher to say they had agreed on

their verdict at 1.40. But, according

to the Court officials, the jury retired at

1.10 p.m. and the usher was called

between 1.50 and 1.55. It will be

observed that the evidence of men whose

integrity and intelligence is undoubted

—jurymen and officials—disagree

utterly as to the time which the jury

took in considering its verdict. This is

concerned in this matter. Nothing is

further from our mind. All that we

wish to do is to direct attention to the

fact that evidence in reference to time,

though it is absolutely beyond suspicion,

cannot be accepted as conclusive.

Perhaps there will be some trouble

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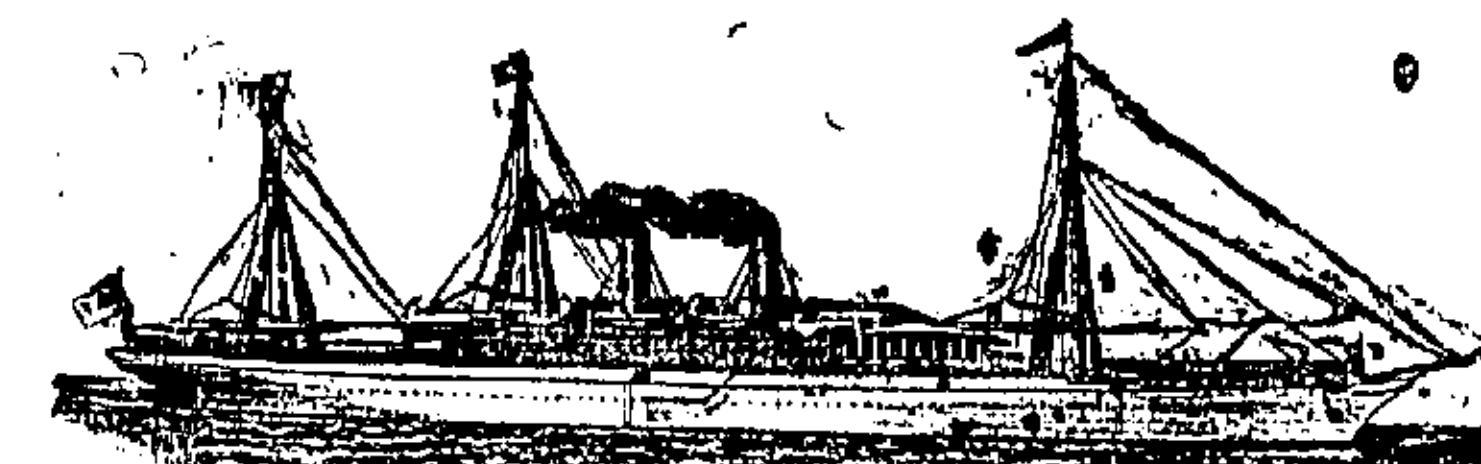
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SHANGHAI	April 2nd	Freight and Passengers
LONDON, VIA USUAL PORTS	April 4th	See Special Advertisement
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, Via S. PORE, PANG, OBO & PORT SAID	April 8th	Freight and Passengers

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STEAMERS	LEAVE HONGKONG	ARRIVE VANCOUVER
EMPIRE OF INDIA	Thursday, April 9	May 18
EMPIRE OF JAPAN	Thursday, May 20	May 25
EMPIRE OF CHINA	Thursday, June 4	June 18
EMPIRE OF AUSTRALIA	Thursday, June 17	June 22
EMPIRE OF AFRICA	Thursday, July 2	July 16
EMPIRE OF AMERICA	Thursday, July 16	July 20

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DESTINATIONS	STEAMERS	SAILING DATE, 1908.
MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP, Via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID	AWA MARU, Tons 6309	WEDNESDAY, 1st April, Daylight.
VICTORIA, B.O., and SEATTLE, WASH., Via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA	TAMBA MARU, Tons 6134	WEDNESDAY, 15th April, at Daylight.
SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, Via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE AND BRISBANE	KAGA MARU, Tons 6301	TUESDAY, 31st Mar., at 4 p.m.
BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO	TOSA MARU, Tons 5823	TUESDAY, 14th April, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI, MOJI KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA	NIKKO MARU, Tons 5539	FRIDAY, 17th April, at Noon.
KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA	KUMANO MARU, Tons 5078	FRIDAY, 15th May, at Noon.
NAGASAKI, KOBÉ AND YOKOHAMA	TAKASAKI MARU, Tons 4746	WEDNESDAY, 1st April.
YOKOHAMA	WAKAMIYA MARU, Tons 4723	THURSDAY, 2nd April.
YOKOHAMA	HITACHI MARU, Tons 4723	SATURDAY, 4th April, at Daylight.
YOKOHAMA	KUMANO MARU, Tons 5078	WEDNESDAY, 15th April, at Noon.

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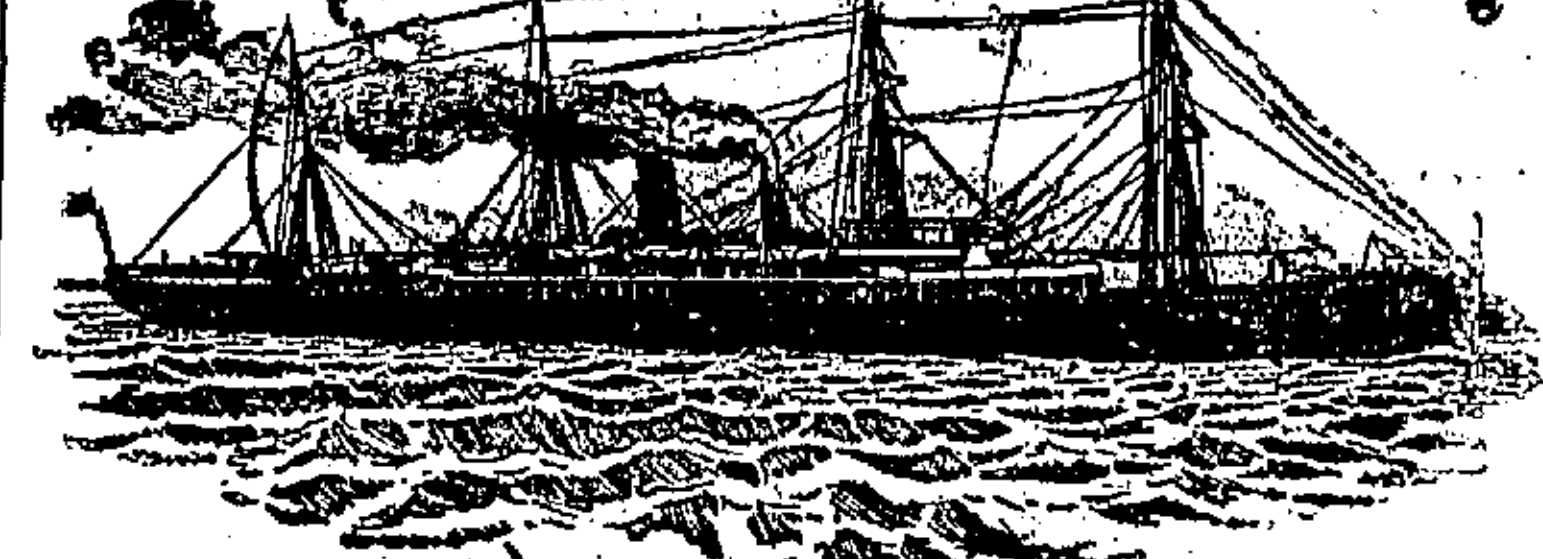
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION)

STEAMERS	SAILING DATE, 1908.
KOREA MARU, 18,000 Tons	FRIDAY, 3rd April, at Noon.
AMERICA MARU, 18,000 Tons	SATURDAY, 11th April, at Noon.
SIBERIA MARU, 18,000 Tons	SATURDAY, 18th April, at Noon.
OHIO MARU, 18,000 Tons	SATURDAY, 25th April, at Noon.
MANCHURIA MARU, 18,000 Tons	SATURDAY, 2nd May, at Noon.
NIPPON MARU, 18,000 Tons	SATURDAY, 9th May, at Noon.
ASIA MARU, 18,000 Tons	SATURDAY, 16th May, at Noon.
MONGOLIA MARU, 18,000 Tons	SATURDAY, 23rd May, at Noon.
HONGKONG MARU, 18,000 Tons	TUESDAY, 2nd June, at Noon.

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ALESIA 5198 JOHN ERNST 9th April, at Noon.

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For MANILA, LONGSANG, FRIDAY, Mar. 27, at 4 p.m.

SANDAKAN, MAUSANG, SATURDAY, Mar. 28, at 4 p.m.

MANILA, YUENSANG, FRIDAY, Apr. 3, at 4 p.m.

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Steamers	Leave	Arriving	Due at	Due at
to	Hongkong	from	Marseilles	London
Colombo	1908	Colombo to	Brindisi	London
		Marseilles & London	2 days earlier	1 day later
DELHI.....8000	April 4	MOLDAVIA.....10000	May 2	May 9
MALTA.....6000	April 18	HIMALAYA.....7000	May 18	May 23
DEVAHA.....8000	May 2	HONGKONG.....10000	May 30	June 6
DEVAHA.....8000	May 16	VICTORIA.....8000	June 14	June 21
DELHI.....8000	May 30	BEITANIA.....6500	June 28	July 5
ARADIA.....7000	June 13	MOULTAN.....10000	July 12	July 19
MALTA.....6000	June 27	CHINA.....8000	Aug. 2	Aug. 9
DEVAHA.....8000	July 11	MOLDAVIA.....10000	Aug. 28	Aug. 30
DEVAHA.....8000	July 25	HIMALAYA.....7000	Sept. 8	Sept. 13
MARMORA.....10000	Aug. 8			

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Hongkong	about	about
BORNEO.....5000	April 8	May 23
NORE.....7000	May 2	May 22
JAPAN.....5000	May 16	May 31
NAMUR.....7000	June 3	June 17
SARDINIA.....6500	June 17	July 1
NUBIA.....6000	June 31	July 15
SVRIA.....7000	July 15	July 29

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DALIN MARU.....	TAMUI, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.	SUNDAY, 29th Mar., at 10 a.m.
NORE.....	SHANGHAI, VIA SWATOW, AMOY AND POOHOOW.	TUESDAY, 31st Mar., at 9 a.m.
SOSHU MARU.....	ANPING, VIA SWATOW, AND AMOY.	WEDNESDAY, 1st Apr., at Daylight.
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VICTORIA B.C. AND TACOMA

VIA

MOJIL, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamers	Tons	Captains	To Sail
* KUMERIC.....	6232	Cowley	14th May, 1908
* SHAWWUT.....	6608	E. V. Roberts	30th May
* TREMONT.....	6608	T. W. Garlick	19th June

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PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO, HONOLULU,
JAPAN PORTS AND SHANGHAI.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship

KOREA.

The above mentioned Steamer having

arrived, the Consignees of Cargo are hereby

notified to send in their Bills of Lading for

counter-signature, and to take immediate

delivery from alongside.

Cargo impeding discharge of the vessel

will be discharged at once, at Consignees'

risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after WED-

NESDAY, 25th March, 1908, at 5 p.m.,

will be landed and stored at Consignees'

risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

All cargo undelivered by Noon, MON-

DAY, March 30th, 1908, will be subject

to sale.

All chafed and otherwise damaged cargo

will be examined at the above Company's

Godowns on SATURDAY, March 28th,

at 10 a.m.

S. SILVERSTONE,

Hongkong, March 23, 1908. 455

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S

STEAMER PEKA.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA,

PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO by the above-

named Vessel are hereby informed that

their Goods are being landed and placed

at their risk in the Godowns and

Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's

Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment

will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and

delivery can be obtained as soon as the

Goods are landed.

Optional goods will be landed here unless

instructions are given to the contrary

before 6 Hours.

Goods not cleared by the 28th March,

at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by

me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the

Godowns for examination by the Con-

signees and the Co.'s representative at an

appointed hour. All claims must be pre-

sented within ten days of the steamer's

arrival here, after which date they cannot

be recognized. No claims will be admitted

after the goods have been landed.

F. J. ABBOTT,

Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, March 23, 1908. 454

'INDRA' LINE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ

CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship Indravadi

having arrived from the above Ports, Con-

signees of Cargo are hereby informed that

their Goods are being landed and placed

at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon

Wharf and Godown Co.'s hazardous and/or

extra hazardous Godowns at Kowloon,

where each consignment will be sorted

out Mark by Mark, and delivery can be

obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 28th inst., at

4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by

me in any case whatever.

All damaged packages must be left in the

Godowns, and a certificate of the damage

obtained from the Godown Company within

ten days after the vessel's arrival here,

after which no Claims will be recognized.

Optional goods will be landed here unless

instructions are given to the contrary before

Noon, To-day.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,

Agents.

Hongkong, March 23, 1908. 456

'EEN' LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP BENFUE.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND

STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO are hereby in-

formed that their Goods are being landed

and placed at their risk into the hazardous

and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and

Godown Co., Limited, where and/or

from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the

Goods have left the Godowns, and all

Goods remaining undelivered after the 27th

inst. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be

presented to the Underwriter on or before

the 24th inst., or they will not be re-

cognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods

are to be left in the Godowns, where they

will be examined on the 26th inst., at

11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, March 20, 1908. 442

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP

COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ

CANAL.

THE Steamship

LOWTHER CASTLE,

Captain LIGHTHILL, having arrived

from the above Ports, Consignees of

Cargo are hereby informed that their

Goods are being landed at their risk

into the Godowns of the Hongkong and

Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.,

at Kowloon and stored at Consignees' risk

and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the

Goods have left the Godowns, and all

Goods remaining undelivered after the 26th

inst. will be subject to rent.

All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods

are to be left in the Godowns, where they

will be examined on Thursday, 26th inst.,

at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,

Genl. Agents.

Hongkong, March 20, 1908. 451

CHILLY HUMOUR.

Snowed Up In Canada.

The following amusing story comes from

Montreal:

During the recent blizzard in Canada

40 passengers, en route from Montreal to

Ottawa, were snowed up for some 14 hours

in a Canadian Pacific Railroad train. Some

humorous members of the party tapped the

telegraph wire, and sent the following

message to Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, the

president of the line:—"Only one egg

and four sandwiches on this train for 40

people; situation serious. What can you

do to help us?" Sir T. Shaughnessy, ap-

precating the situation, promptly re-

plied:—"Can do nothing; recommend

prayer."

NO DOUBT.

I was counsel for a railway company in

the West, says a prominent New York

lawyer, in whose employ a section hand

had been killed by an express train. His

widow, of course, sued for damages. The

principal witness swore positively that the

locomotive whistle had not sounded until

after the entire train had passed over his

departed friend. You admit that the

whistle blew? I sternly demanded of the

witness. Oh, yes, I blew. Now, I added,

impressively, if that whistle sounded in

time to give Morgan warning, the fact

would be in favour of the company, wouldn't it? I suppose so, said the witness.

Very well. Now, for what earthly purpose

would the engineer blow his whistle after

the man had been struck? I presume,

replied the witness, with great delibera-

tion, that the whistle was for the next

man on the track.

HIS MISTAKE.

It was a mixed party, and when the

lights were lowered for the old-fashioned

madragon, young Blinks managed to

edge closer to the golden-haired maiden,

upon whom he had been casting glances

of admiration during the evening. There

was a three-minute scramble and when

the lights went up there arose a howl of disappointment from

one of the young lads who happened to

be near our friend Blinks. "What's the

matter, Willie?" inquired the hostess.

"Didn't you get any?" "Did—didn't get the

ch-chance," followed the boy. Soon as it

is started that fellow with the eye-glasses

collared hold of my hand, and d-didn't

leave off kissing till the g-g was on

again!"

COUNT OKUMA AND INDIA.

Yesterday we ventured to speak with some freedom about Count Okuma, in regard to his attitude in connection with India. It is therefore with genuine pleasure that we reproduce a recent utterance of the Count which presents him in a much more favourable light. The cynical might say, of course, that the public man who spoke often enough could hardly fail, in the very nature of things, to sometimes say something worth listening to. But that is another question. Let Count Okuma speak for himself. This is a portion of a speech he delivered at the beginning of the month—before the Tatsu Maru case had been decided: "The honour of the national flag of the different Powers represented in China is entirely dependent upon commercial interests, and while we are intent upon minor disputes, the grasping hand of giants may snatch away the fruits of past labours. Apparently the glory of victorious Japan seems to have been tarnished a great deal of late. The pro-Japanese Yuen Shih-kai appears to be in utter disfavour at present, and what about the recent attitude of Dr. Morrison, who has been in the habit of praising Japan so much? Not only in the country of which he is directly responsible, but even in the 'Times' itself curious comments are often published. The Treaty of 1905 may have been unsatisfactory, but it has been contracted there appears to be no help for it at present. Adverse comments are not looked upon solely as the result of prejudice. It is of the utmost importance that our diplomacy should be conducted with care and tact. The power of the Chinese in connection is tremendous. It is true the honour of our national flag must be maintained, but the benefit of our trade by the Chinese must also be secured. The means adopted by the Foreign Office in this connection of the 'Tatsu Maru' ought to be prompt and tact. Preconception and hard feelings may prove the worst form of diplomacy at the present juncture."

To-day's Advertisements

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from OFFICIAL RECEIVER IN BANKRUPTCY, To Sell by Public Auction, The Goods and Chattels of Messrs HOWARD & Co., in Bankruptcy.

TO-MORROW (FRIDAY),
the 27th March, 1908, at 11 A.M., at No. 33, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, TOP FLOOR, SUNDRIES OFFICE FURNITURE AND MISCELLANEOUS GOODS.

TEARWOOD WRITING TABLES, CHAIRS, SHOW CASES, PIERCE GONG, PAPER FIVE WHEELS, CRISTE STANLEY & Co., &c.

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Terms—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
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Hongkong, March 26, 1908. 478

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NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

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LAST NIGHT! LAST NIGHT!

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THURSDAY, MARCH 26th,

Last and Farewell Performance

Grand Complimentary Benefit to Miss George Corless.

'THE MERRY WIDOW'

(DIE LUSTIGE WITWE).

PRICES: 91, 92, 93.

Seats can now be booked at Messrs MOUTRIE & Co.

Hongkong, March 26, 1908. 284

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE THIRTY-FIFTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at its HEAD OFFICE, P.O. 2, QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, HONGKONG, on THURSDAY, the 23rd April, 1908, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1907, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

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SHIPPING

ARRIVALS.

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Feb. 18, Hudson, Sweden, St. Nicholas, Kormer, Helene Rickmers.
Feb. 21, Alborg.
Feb. 25, Wye.
Feb. 28, Indran, Nore, Pangniet, Sunda, Brull, Indrapura, Langkhan, Tydus.

March 3, Benader.
March 6, Achilles, Hitachi Maru.
March 10, Denbighshire, Don of Airrie, Palawan, Silesia (Ger).
March 13, Aloussa, Oceanic, Titan.
March 17, Nippon, York, Japan, Senegambia, Ginecarr, Arkuden, Hendley.
March 20, Riech, Australien, Glavus, Omya, Bingu Maru, Kanagawa Maru, Poona, Koran.

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